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1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 The agriculture, forestry and soils appendices for the Whittington to Handsacre community forum area (CFA22) comprise:
 - Soils and agricultural land classification surveys (Section 2);
 - Forestry (Section 3); and
 - Farm impact assessment summaries (Section 4).
- 1.1.2 Maps referred to throughout the agriculture, forestry and soils appendix are contained in the Volume 5 agriculture, forestry and soils map book.

2 Soils and agricultural land classification surveys

2.1 Background

- 2.1.1 The soils and agricultural baseline conditions reported have been established from desktop studies and site surveys.
- Information gathered by desktop studies has related primarily to the identification of soil resources in the study area, the associated physical characteristics of geology, topography and climate which underpin the assessment of agricultural land quality, and the disposition of land uses. The main sources of information have included:
 - National Soil Map¹;
 - Soils and Their Use in Midland and Western England²;
 - Soils in Staffordshire IV Sheet SKoo/10 (Lichfield)³;
 - Solid and superficial deposits from the Geology of Britain viewer⁴;
 - Gridpoint meteorological data for Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales⁵;
 - Provisional Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales (1:250,000)⁶;
 - Likelihood of Best and Most Versatile Agricultural Land (1:250,000)⁷;
 - Agri-environment schemes⁸;
 - Aerial photography from Google Earth; and
 - On-site soil and Agricultural Land Classification surveys.
- Information gathered by field survey⁹ has related to the enhancement of desk-based information on soils and agricultural land quality, and the engagement with landowners and tenants to establish the nature and extent of agricultural, forestry and related rural enterprises.
- Field and other data were interpreted using the MAFF's 1988 Revised Guidelines and Criteria for Grading the Quality of Agricultural Land¹⁰.

¹ Cranfield University (2001), The National Soil Map of England and Wales 1:250,000 scale. Cranfield University: National Soil Resources Institute.

² Soil Survey of England and Wales (1984), *Soils and Their Use in Midland and Western England*. Harpenden.

³ Hollis J.M. (1985), Soils in Staffordshire IV Sheet SKoo/10 (Lichfield), Soil Survey Record No. 89, Harpenden.

⁴ British Geological Survey. http://bgs.ac.uk/geologyofbritain/home/html.

⁵ Meteorological Office (1989), *Gridpoint Meteorological data for Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales and other Climatological Investigations*.

⁶ Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (1983), Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales (1:250,000).

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (2005), Likelihood of Best and Most Versatile Agricultural Land (1:250,000).

⁸ Multi-Agency Geographical Information for the Countryside (MAGIC) available on line @ www.magic.gov.uk.

⁹ Hodgson, J.M. (1997), *The Soil Survey Field Handbook*. Soil Survey Technical Monograph no. 5, Silsoe.

¹⁰ Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (1988), Agricultural Land Classification of England and Wales – Revised guidelines and criteria for grading the quality of agricultural land.

2.1.5 Information obtained from farm impact assessment interview surveys has been taken as a factual representation of local agricultural and forestry interests and has not been subject to further evaluation.

2.2 Soils and land resources

- This part of the technical appendix describes the findings of a desktop study and targeted soil survey and Agricultural Land Classification (ALC) survey that identified existing soil and agricultural land resources in the study area.
- The location and extent of different soil types and agricultural land in the different ALC grades are influenced by topography and drainage, and by geology and soil parent materials, which are described in turn in the following sections. This section then provides a description and distribution of the main soil types encountered along the study corridor.

Topography and drainage

- The proposed route through this area extends northwards from the A51 at Whittington Heath over dissected sandstone country, falling from 100m above Ordnance Datum (AOD) on the Whittington Heath Golf Club to 65m AOD on the floodplain near Huddlesford. From there, the route proceeds north-westwards across lowlands at 65m to 75m AOD before rising slightly west of Bourne Brook.
- Drainage is served by north-east flowing brooks at Huddlesford and branches of the Mare Brook around Streethay which are tributaries of the River Tame. Further west, the Curborough and Bourne Brooks, fed by numerous smaller brooks and drains, flow towards the River Trent to the north of Handsacre.

Geology and soil parent materials

- 2.2.5 Superficial Deposits are present intermittently along the Proposed Scheme. River Terrace Deposits (sands and gravels) surround a surface watercourse to the southwest of Fradley Park. Glaciofluvial Sheet Deposits (comprising sand and gravel with lenses of clay, silt and organic material) underlie the Proposed Scheme almost continuously from Gorse Farm at Fradley to the northern end of the study area.
- 2.2.6 Narrow strips of lluvium (comprising clay, silt, sand and gravel) are present around the channel of an unnamed brook located between Mill Farm and the Wyrley and Essington Canal and also around Pyford Brook situated to the north-west of Fradley Park. Head Deposits, variably comprising clay, silt, sand and gravel resulting from downslope movement, are present to the north of Streethay.
- 2.2.7 British Geological Survey (BGS) information shows that bedrock of the Triassic period underlies the Proposed Scheme. Bedrock of the Triassic period underlies the Proposed Scheme. The Sherwood Sandstone Group, (comprising the Bromsgrove Sandstone Formation and Kidderminster Formation) is comprised of pebbly, gravelly sandstone, and is present from the southern end of the study area as far north as Hill Farm at Streethay. The Mercia Mudstone Group, described as red and green-grey, mudstones and subordinate siltstones with widespread thin beds of gypsum/anhydrite, underlies the Proposed Scheme from Hill Farm to the northern end of the study area.

2.2.8 A list of geological strata occurring within the study area is provided in age order in Table 1 and shown on Map WR-02-022 (Volume 5).

Table 1: Bedrock and soil forming materials

Formation Composition/soil parent material					
Superficial deposits					
Glaciofluvial Sheet Deposits	Sand and Gravel				
Alluvium	Clay, silt, sand and gravel				
Undifferentiated deposits (Head)	Clay, Silt, Sand and Gravel				
River Terrace Deposits	Sand and Gravel				
Bedrock					
Kidderminster Formation	Conglomerates and sandstones				
Bromsgrove Sandstone Formation	Sandstones, commonly pebbly or conglomeratic at the bases of beds, interbedded siltstones and mudstones				
Mercia Mudstone Group	Mudstones and subordinate siltstones				

Description and distribution of soil types

The characteristics of the soils are described by the Soil Survey of England and Wales that accompanies the National Soil Map. A more detailed soil map and report are available for the southernmost 3km of the Whittington to Handsacre area in the Soil Survey's Soils in Staffordshire IV, SKoo/10 Lichfield (Hollis 1985). The soils are grouped into soil associations of a range of soil types (soil series) and are summarised in Table 2, and their distribution is shown on Map AG-02-22.

Table 2: Soil associations

Soil association: code	Soil association:	Description	Wetness
shown on Map AG-02-22	name		class
541b	Bromsgrove	Well drained reddish sandy loam soils mainly over sandstone, deep in places; some clay loam soils with slowly permeable subsoils and slight seasonal waterlogging	1-11
551a	Bridgnorth	Well drained sandy and sandy loam soils over soft sandstone, deep in places	1
551d	Newport 1	Deep well drained sandy and sandy loamy soil, with some sandy and sandy loam soils affected by groundwater with slight seasonal waterlogging, and loamy soils with slowly permeable subsoils and seasonal waterlogging	
711b	Brockhurst 1	Slowly permeable seasonally waterlogged reddish clay loam over clayey soils, with some similar soils with slowly permeable subsoils and slight seasonal waterlogging	III
711n	Clifton	Slowly permeable seasonally waterlogged reddish clay loam and sandy loam soils, and similar soils with slight seasonal waterlogging; some deep sandy loam soils seasonally affected by groundwater	11-111
821b	Blackwood	Deep permeable sandy and sandy loam soils; groundwater controlled by ditches	1-111

Soil association: code	Soil association:	Description	Wetness
shown on Map AG-02-22	name		class
8310	Wigton Moor	Permeable clay loam and sandy loam soils variably affected by groundwater	1-111

- The National Soil Map shows seven principal soil types within this area. Narrow strips of alluvium flanking brooks are too small in extent to be distinguished on the published soil maps.
 - Bromsgrove association is mapped on part of the Bromsgrove Sandstone
 Formation between Darnford Lane, Whittington and the A₃8 at Streethay. The
 dominant soil type, Bromsgrove series, is a permeable, well drained reddish
 sandy loam over sandstone, deep in places. These free draining soils are in
 Wetness Class¹¹ (WC) I. There are also some associated sandy loam soils with
 slowly permeable subsoils sandstone that experience slight seasonal
 waterlogging (WC II);
 - Bridgnorth association has well drained (WCI) sandy and sandy loam soils over soft sandstone, deep in places; it occurs in the south of the area on Whittington Heath on the Kidderminster Formation;
 - dominantly deep sandy and sandy loam soils of the Newport 1 association
 occur in glaciofluvial sand and gravel deposits at the north-western end of the
 proposed route from Bourne Brook to Handsacre, including the Y junction with
 the West Coast Main Line (WCML). The soils are generally well drained (WC I),
 but surveys for this project show that soils also occur with slight seasonal
 waterlogging from fluctuating groundwater (WC II), and with seasonal
 waterlogging where slowly permeable clayey and loamy layers occur in the
 subsoil;
 - short stretches of the proposed route cross soils of the similar Brockhurst 1 and Clifton associations, the former developed on mudstones with thin superficial drift west of Huddlesford and the latter near East Hill in deep reddish sandy loam, sandy silt loam and clay loam textured drift. Topsoils and upper subsoils tend to be medium clay loam or silty clay loam, but the slowly permeable clayey or loamy lower subsoils cause the dominant soils to be seasonally waterlogged (WC III-IV);
 - over 3km of the proposed route between Fradley and Bourne Brook has deep permeable sandy and sandy loam y soils in the Blackwood association, affected by groundwater (WC I-III); and
 - soils on river terrace deposits and Head in the Mare Brook catchment north and east of Streethay are mapped as Wigton Moor association of deep sandy loam and medium clay loams, variably affected by groundwater (WC II–III).

¹¹ The Wetness Class (WC) of a soil is classified in Appendix II of Hodgson, J.M. (1977), *The Soil Survey Field Handbook*. Soil Survey and Land Research Centre, Technical Monograph No.5, according to the depth and duration of waterlogging in the soil profile and has six bands ranging from Wetness Class I (well drained) to Wetness Class VI (permanently waterlogged).

2.3 Soils and land resources

Agricultural land quality

- A review of available ALC information has been undertaken to ascertain the land quality within the study area. Detailed ALC surveys for an extensive area between around Streethay and Fradley are available on MAGIC. High confidence levels have also been gained in this CFA from assessing land quality from a detailed soil survey (Hollis 1985), and from field surveys for this project.
- In areas where access to land was not granted to access sites, ALC has been assessed from available information in the form of archived Soil Survey records obtained from the National Soil Resources Institute (NSRI) at Cranfield University. In areas where land access was not granted and no archived records were available, a professional judgement was made using published soil maps geological information.

Detailed agricultural land classification

- 2.3.3 Seventy five new auger bores were made in the area affected by HS2. In addition, eleven archived auger bore records were obtained from NSRI, bringing the total number of auger bore logs to 86.
- Farms on which soil surveys were undertaken in 2102 and 2013 are: CFA22/10 Land around Fradley Wood, CFA22/15 Hauchwood Farm, CFA22/16 Brownfields Farm, CFA22/17 Hunts Farm, CFA22/18 New Farm, Elmhurst and CFA22/20 Tuppenhurst Field. In addition, CFA21/15 Freeford Farm, which spans the CFA22 boundary, was surveyed.
- 2.3.5 The principal physical factors influencing agricultural production and land quality are climate, site and soil, and the interactions between them.
- 2.3.6 Soil profiles were examined using an Edelman (Dutch) auger and a spade. Where soils were stony or dry a 2.5cm diameter screw auger was used to enable deeper penetration. At each observation point the following characteristics were assessed for each soil horizon up to a maximum of 120cm where possible, or to any impenetrable layer:
 - soil texture;
 - significant stoniness;
 - colour (including local gley and mottle colours);
 - consistency;
 - structural condition;
 - free carbonate; and
 - depth.
- 2.3.7 Soil available water capacity, relevant to the assessment of drought risk, was estimated from texture, structure, organic matter content, stone content and profile depth.

Agro-climatic limitations

The local climatic factors have been interpolated from the Meteorological Office's database (Met Office 1989) held in the Landis climatic database at Cranfield University¹² at 1km intervals along the line of the track. The average of the parameters is given in Table 3. There is little variation across the CFA: FCDs are within the narrow range 154 to 166 days; average annual rainfall (AAR) is from 687mm to 712mm; moisture deficits are 98mm to 100mm for wheat and 87mm to 90mm for potatoes.

Table 3: Interpolated agro-climatic data

Climatic parameter	Whittington Heath SK1476 0753	Black Slough Farm SK1250 1369	Shaw Lane SK1044 1433
Altitude (m)	90	72	78
Average annual rainfall (mm)	687	694	712
Accumulated Temperature >0°C (Jan-June)	1375	1393	1386
Field Capacity Days (days)	154	158	166
Average Moisture Deficit, wheat (mm)	98	100	98
Average Moisture Deficit, potatoes (mm)	88	90	87

- 2.3.9 Climate itself does not place any limitation upon the land in this part of the West Midlands, but the interactions of climate with soil characteristics are important in determining the wetness and droughtiness limitations of the soil.
- 2.3.10 The influence of climate on soil wetness is assessed by reference to median Field Capacity Days (FCD) when the soil moisture deficit is zero, WC and topsoil texture (MAFF 1988 Table 6). Soil WC was inferred from the matrix colour, presence or absence of, and depth to, greyish and ochreous gley mottling and/or poorly permeable subsoil layers at least 15cm thick.
- 2.3.11 The ALC grade according to soil wetness was determined by following the methodology set out in the ALC Guidelines (October, 1988) and the information in the Table 4.

Table 4: ALC grade according to soil wetness - mineral soils (based on Table 6 of ALC Guidelines, October 1988)

Wetness	Texture ¹ of	Field capacity days				
class	the top 25cm	<126	126-150	151-175	176-225	>225
I	S ² LS ³ SL SZL	1	1	1	1	2
	ZL MZCL MCL SCL	1	1	1	2	3a
	HZCL HCL	2	2	2	3a	3p
	SCZCC	3a(2)	3a(2)	3a	3p	3p
II	S ² LS ³ SL SZL	1	1	1	2	3a
	ZL MZCL MCL SCL	2	2	2	3a	3p
	HZCL HCL	3a(2)	3a(2)	3a	3a	3p

¹² http://archive.defra.gov.uk/foodfarm/landmanage/land-use/documents/alc-quidelines-1988.pdf Accessed: August 2103.

Wetness	Texture ¹ of	Field ca	pacity day	s		
class	the top 25cm	<126	126-150	151-175	176-225	>225
	SC ZC C	3a(2)	3b(3a)	3p	3p	3p
III	S ² LS SL SZL	2	2	2	3а	3b
	ZL MZCL MCL SCL	3a(2)	3a(2)	3a	3a	3p
	HZCL HCL	3b(3a)	3b(3a)	3p	3p	4
	SCZCC	3p(3a)	3b(3a)	3p	4	4
IV	S ² LS SL SZL	3a	3a	3a	3p	3p
	ZL MZCL MCL SCL	3p	3p	3p	3p	3p
	HZCL HCL	3p	3p	3p	4	4
	SCZCC	3p	3p	3p	4	5
V	S LS SL SZL	4	4	4	4	4
	ZL MZCL MCL SCL	4	4	4	4	4
	HZCL HCL	4	4	4	4	4
	SCZCC	4	4	4	5	5

Soils in Wetness Class VI - Grade 5

Droughtiness is determined by comparing crop-adjusted available water (AP), with the moisture deficit (MD) for the locality for wheat and potatoes (MAFF 1988 Appendix 4). Grading of the land can be affected if the AP is insufficient to balance the MD and droughtiness occurs. The availability of irrigation can improve grading by 1 division where appropriate. However, irrigation is not common practice for grass cereals and oil seed rape (OSR). The calculation used in the ALC Guidelines (October, 1988)¹⁰ to determine the severity of this limitation is given below in Figure 1.

Texture key: S – sand; LS – loamy sand; SL – sandy loam; SZL – sandy silt loam; ZL – silt loam; MZCL – medium silty clay loam; MCL – medium clay loam; SCL – sandy clay loam; HZCL – heavy silty clay loam; HCL – heavy clay loam; SC – sandy clay; ZC – silty clay; C – clay

¹ For naturally calcareous soils with more than 1% CaCO₃ and between 18% and 50% clay in the top 25cm, the grade, where different from that of other soils, is shown in brackets.

² Sand is not eligible for Grades 1, 2 or 3a.

³ Loamy sand is not eligible for Grade 1.

Figure 1: Methodology for calculating the severity of a droughtiness limitation to ALC grading (derived from MAFF, 1988)

AP wheat (mm) =
$$\frac{TA_{vt} \times LT_t + \Sigma (TA_{vs} \times LT_{50}) + \Sigma (EA_{vs} \times LT_{50-120})}{10}$$

where

TA_{vt} is Total available water (TA_v) for the topsoil texture

TAvs is Total available water (TAv) for each subsoil layer

EA_{vs} is Easily available water (EA_v) for each subsoil layer

LT_t is thickness (cm) of topsoil layer

LT50 is thickness (cm) of each subsoil layer to 50 cm depth

LT₅₀₋₁₂₀ is thickness (cm) of each subsoil layer between 50 and 120 cm depth Σ means 'sum of'.

AP potatoes (mm) =
$$\frac{TA_{vt} \times LT_t + \sum (TA_{vs} \times LT_{70})}{10}$$

where

LT₇₀ is thickness (cm) of each subsoil layer to 70 cm depth

MB (Wheat) = AP (Wheat) - MD (Wheat)

MB (Potatoes) = AP (Potatoes) - MD (Potatoes)

Where

MB is the Moisture Balance

AP is the Crop-adjusted available water capacity

MD is the moisture deficit, as determined by the agro-climatic assessment.

Table 8		Grade according to droughtiness					
Grade/	Mois	ture Balance	limits (mm)				
Subgrade	wheat potatoes						
1	+30	and	+10				
2	+5	and	-10				
3a	-20	and	-30				
3b	-50	and	-55				
4	<-50 or <-55						

Site limitations

2.3.13 The assessment of site factors is primarily concerned with the way in which topography influences the use of agricultural machinery and, hence, the cropping potential of land. Gradient and micro relief, with complex changes of slope angle or direction over short distances, are not considered limiting in the study area. Flooding may occur on some narrow floodplains of brooks (such the Bourne Brook) but it's very small extent and limited frequency means it is not significant in terms of ALC.

Soil limitations

The main soil properties which affect the cropping potential and management requirements of land are texture, structure, depth, stoniness and chemical fertility. Together they influence the functions of soil and affect the water availability for crops, and soil drainage, workability and trafficability. Soils within the area often have sandy and sandy loam textures, and in some places are stony, especially over sandstone of the Kidderminster and Bromsgrove Sandstone Formations. Poor soil structure in slowly permeable subsoils is a limitation on mudstones, and there is fluctuating groundwater in permeable soils in valleys and in the extensive, spread of low-lying glaciofluvial deposits. Soil depth is a limitation where soils are thin over hard sandstone. Chemical limitations are not encountered in the study area.

Interactive limitations

- 2.3.15 The physical limitations which result from interactions between climate, site and soil are soil wetness, droughtiness and erosion. Each soil can be allocated a WC based on soil structure, evidence and depth of waterlogging and the number of FCDs; where soil droughtiness is not a problem the topsoil texture and stone content then determines its ALC Grade. Thus where there are 154 to 166 FCDs then a typical soil in the Brockhurst 1 association with a WC of III will be Subgrade 3a if the topsoil texture is a medium clay loam, and Subgrade 3b if it is a heavy clay loam.
- 2.3.16 Soil texture and structure determine the available water capacity of the soil profile. When calculated against the demands of a growing wheat and potato crop in the locality given by the climatic variable, the moisture deficit, a moisture balance is produced, from which a droughtiness limitation can be assessed. The clay loam and silty clay loam over clayey soils of the Brockhurst 1 association and the deep clay loams and silty clay loams of the Clifton association have sufficient moisture reserves in an average year to have no droughtiness limitation, or only one that limits the land to Grade 2. Light textured soils of the Bromsgrove, Bridgnorth and Newport 1 associations, however, tend to have a smaller available water capacity; dominantly sandy loam soils are Grade 2 or Subgrade 3a depending on the stone content, and sandy soils are Subgrade 3a or 3b, again depending on the stone content. Where irrigation facilities are available, and it is a current or recent practice, this is taken into account and may raise the Grade as the potential range and yield of crops (particularly horticultural and root crops) is increased.

Summary of ALC assessment in CFA22

2.3.17 The characteristics of the soil series encountered within each association and a summary of the key characteristics relevant to the ALC grading in CFA22 are given in Table 5 to Table 11.

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Table 5: Bromsgrove Association (541b)

Well drained sandy loam soils over soft sandstone but deep in places. Associated loamy soils with slowly permeable subsoils and slight seasonal waterlogging. Risk of water erosion.

Main soil series	Ancillary soil series occurring	Geology	Average field capacity days	Wetness class	Average moisture deficit and (available water) mm		ALC grade	ALC determinants
	locally		(max 166 min 154)		Wheat	Potatoes		
Bromsgrove		Bromsgrove Sandstone and Kidderminster Formation	160	I	99 (110-80)	89 (90-55)	2,3a or 3b*	Droughtiness
	Hodnet	Bromsgrove Sandstone Formation	160	II	99 (110-100)	89 (90-80)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness. Topsoil texture and wetness class locally.
	Eardiston**	Bromsgrove Sandstone and Kidderminster Formation	160	I	99 (110-80)	89 (90-55)	2, 3a or 3b*	Droughtiness

^{*} Where subsoil texture is loamy sand and/or stone content is moderate to high then grade is restricted to 3a. Where shallow over rock may be Subgrade 3b

Bromsgrove	Hodnet	Eardiston
o-30cm Ap	0-25cm Ap	0-25cm Ap
Dark reddish brown, stoneless sandy loam	Dark reddish brown, very slightly stony sandy silt loam or clay	Dark reddish brown, stoneless or slightly stony sandy loam or sandy
_	loam	silt loam
30-65cm Bw		
Reddish brown, stoneless sandy loam; weak medium or	25-35cm Eb	25-40cm Bw
coarse subangular blocky structure	Reddish brown, very slightly stony; weak coarse subangular	Reddish brown, slightly stony sandy loam; moderate medium
	blocky structure	angular blocky structure
65-90cm BCu		
Reddish brown, stoneless or slightly stony sandy loam;	35-6ocm Bt(g)	40-60cm BCu
single grain structure	Reddish brown, mottled, stoneless or slightly stony; moderate	Reddish brown slightly or moderately stony sandy loam; weak
	prismatic or angular blocky structure	coarse angular blocky structure or single grain
At gocm Cu		
Soft weathered reddish brown sandstone	60-100cm Cg	At 6ocm R
	Dark reddish brown, clay loam; massive structure	Dark reddish grey hard bedded micaeous sandstone,
	100-120cm Cr	
	Reddish brown silty shale and sandstone	
	·	

^{**} Eardiston series is restricted to hill crests.

Table 6: Bridgnorth Association (551a)

Well drained sandy and sandy loam soils over soft sandstone. Occasional deeper soils. Risk of water and wind erosion

Main soil series	Ancillary soil series occurring	Geology	Average field capacity days	Wetness class	Average moisture deficit and (available water) mm		ALC grade	ALC determinant
	locally		(max 166 min 154)		Wheat	Potatoes		
Bridgnorth		Bromsgrove Sandstone and Kidderminster Formation	160	I	99 (90-60)	89 (75-50)	3a or 3b*	Droughtiness
	Bromsgrove	Bromsgrove Sandstone Formation	160	1	99 (110-90)	89 (90-65)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness
	Newport	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace deposits	160	I	99 (105-60)	89 (90-50)	2, 3a or 3b*	Droughtiness

^{*} Where subsoil texture is sand and/or stone content is moderate to high then grade is restricted to 3b by drought.

Bridgnorth	Bromsgrove	Newport
0-25cm Ap	o-30cm Ap	0-25cm Ap
Dark reddish brown, stoneless loamy sand	Dark reddish brown, stoneless sandy loam	Dark brown, slightly stony sandy loam or loamy sand
25-50cm Bw Reddish brown, stoneless loamy sand or sand; weak medium subangular blocky structure or single grain	30-65cm Bw Reddish brown, stoneless sandy loam; weak medium or coarse subangular blocky structure	25-55cm Bw Brown, slightly stony loamy sand; weak fine subangular blocky structure
50-60cm Cu Reddish brown, slightly stony sand; single grain structure At 60cm Cr Reddish brown sandstone	65-90cm BCu Reddish brown, stoneless or slightly stony sandy loam; single grain structure At 90cm Cu Soft weathered reddish brown sandstone	55-120cm Cu Yellowish red or brownish yellow slightly or moderately stony loamy sand or sand; single grain structure

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Table 7: Newport 1 Association (551d)

Deep well drained sandy and sandy loam soils. Some sandy soils affected by groundwater. Risk of wind and water erosion

Main soil	Ancillary soil series occurring	Geology	Average field capacity days	Wetness class	Average moisture deficit and (available water) mm		ALC grade	ALC determinant
series	locally		(max 166 min 154)		Wheat	Potatoes		
Newport		Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace deposits	160	I	99 (105-60)	89 (90-50)	2 or 3b*	Droughtiness
	Wick	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace deposits	160	I	99 (105-60)	89 (90-50)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness
	Blackwood	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace deposits	160	1-11	99 (105-80)	89 (90-65)	2 or 3a*	Droughtiness

^{*} Where subsoil texture is sand and or stone content is moderate to high then grade may be restricted to 3b by drought.

Newport	Wick	Blackwood
0-25cm Ap	0-25cm Ap	0-25cm Ap
Dark brown, slightly stony sandy loam or loamy sand	Dark brown, slightly stony sandy loam	Very dark greyish brown, slightly stony sandy loam or loamy sand
25-55cm Bw	25-50cm Bw1	,
Brown, slightly stony loamy sand; weak fine subangular	Dark yellowish brown, slightly to moderately stony sandy loam;	25-40cm Bg1
blocky structure	moderate to weak medium subangular blocky structure	Pale brown, mottled, slightly stony loamy sand; weak medium and coarse subangular blocky structure
55-120cm Cu	50-80cm Bw2	
Yellowish red or brownish yellow slightly or moderately	Yellowish brown slightly or moderately stony sandy loam or loamy	40-90cm Bg2
stony loamy sand or sand; single grain structure	sand; weak medium angular blocky structure or single grain 80-120cm Cu	Light brownish grey, mottled slightly stony; weak medium subangular blocky or single grain structure
	Brownish yellow, slightly or moderately stony loamy sand or sandy	90-120cm Cg
	loam; single grain structure	Greyish brown mottled slightly stony sand; single grain structure

Table 8: Brockhurst 1 Association (711b)

Slowly permeable seasonally waterlogged reddish loamy over clayey soils and clayey soils. Some similar soils with slowly permeable subsoils and slight seasonal waterlogging.

Main soil series	Ancillary soil series occurring	Geology	Average field capacity days	Wetness class	Average moisture deficit and (available water) mm		ALC grade	ALC determinants
	locally		(max 166 min 154)		Wheat	Potatoes		
Brockhurst		Mercian Mudstone Group	160	III	99 (120)	89 (105)	3a or 3b**	Topsoil texture and wetness class
	Whimple*	Mercian Mudstone Group	160	III	99 (115)	89 (105)	3a or 3b**	Topsoil texture and wetness class
	Salop*	Till, Glaciolacustrine sands and gravels	160	III	99 (115)	89 (105)	3a or 3b**	Topsoil texture and wetness class

^{*}Whimple and Salop series are local inclusions in this association ** Where Subgrade is 3b the topsoil texture is heavy clay loam

Brockhurst	Whimple	Salop
o-20cm Ap	0-25cm Ap	o-25cm Ap
Dark brown very slightly stony medium clay loam	Dark brown slightly stony medium clay loam	Very dark greyish brown slightly stony medium clay loam
20-40cm Eg	25-40cm Eb(g)	25-45cm Eg
Brown, mottled slightly stony medium clay loam; moderate	Reddish brown, slightly mottled, slightly stony clay loam;	Brownish grey, mottled, slightly stony clay loam; moderate
medium subangular blocky structure	moderate medium subangular blocky structure	medium subangular blocky structure
40-75cm Btg	40-60cm Bt(g)	45-100cm Btg
Reddish brown, mottled stoneless or very slightly stony clay;	Reddish brown, slightly mottled, slightly stony clay loam;	Yellowish red, mottled, slightly stony; moderate to weak
strong coarse prismatic structure	moderate to coarse prismatic structure	coarse prismatic structure
75-100cm BCtg	60-100cm 2BCtg	100-120cm BCtg
Reddish brown mottled stoneless clay moderate coarse	Reddish brown, mottled, stoneless clay; Coarse prismatic	Reddish brown, mottled, slightly stony clay; massive
prismatic structure	structure	structure
At 100cm	At 100cm	
Reddish mudstone	Reddish mudstone	

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Table 9: Clifton Association (711n)

Slowly permeable seasonally waterlogged reddish loamy and loamy over clayey soils. Some deep sandy loam soils affected by groundwater.

Main soil	Ancillary soil series occurring	Geology	Average field capacity days	Wetness class	Average moisture deficit and (available water) mm		ALC grade	ALC determinants
series	locally		(max 166 min 154)		Wheat	Potatoes		
Clifton*		Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	III	99 (125)	89 (110)	3a or 3b**	Topsoil texture and wetness class
	Salwick	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	II	99 (125)	89 (110)	2	Topsoil texture and wetness class
	Quorndon	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	11-111	99 (125-100)	89 (95-85)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness. Topsoil texture and wetness class locally

^{*}Locally inclusions of soils with sandy loam or sandy silt loam topsoils are similar to Claverley series

Clifton	Salwick	Quorndon
0-25cm Ap	o-25cm Ap	0-25cm Ap
Dark greyish brown slightly stony clay loam or sandy clay loam	Dark brown slightly stony sandy loam or sandy clay loam	Dark brown, slightly stony sandy loam
20-35cm Eg	25-40cm Eb(g)	25-50cm Bg1
Greyish brown, mottled slightly stony clay loam or sandy clay	Brown, slightly mottled, slightly stony clay loam or sandy	Yellowish brown, mottled, slightly to moderately stony; weak
loam; weak medium subangular blocky structure	loam; weak subangular blocky structure	medium subangular blocky structure
35-80cm Btg	40-700cm Bt(g)	50-80cm Bg2
Reddish brown, mottled, slightly stony clay loam or sandy clay	Reddish brown, slightly mottled, slightly stony clay loam;	Yellowish brown, mottled, slightly to moderately stony weak
loam; moderate coarse prismatic structure	weak coarse prismatic structure	coarse subangular blocky or single grain structure
80-120cm BCtq	700-120cm BCtq	80-120cm Cg
Reddish brown mottled slightly stony clay loam weak coarse	Reddish brown, mottled, slightly stony clay loam;	Pale to yellowish brown, mottled slightly to moderately stony
prismatic or massive structure	massive structure	loamy sand or sandy loam; single grain structure
prismatic of massive structure	Thassive screene	loaniy sana or sanay loani, single grain structure

^{**} Where Subgrade is 3b the topsoil texture is heavy clay loam

Table 10: Blackwood Association (821b)

Deep permeable sandy and sandy loam soils affected by fluctuating groundwater. Groundwater controlled by ditches.

Main soil	Ancillary soil	Geology	Average field	Wetness	Average moisture	Average moisture deficit and		ALC determinants
series	series occurring		capacity days	class	(available water)	mm	grade	
	locally		(max 166 min 154)		Wheat	Potatoes		
Blackwood		Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	1-111	99 (105-80)	89 (90-65)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness. Topsoil texture and wetness class locally
	Quorndon	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	11-111	99 (105-80)	89 (90-65)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness. Topsoil texture and wetness and wetness class locally
	Ollerton	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	11-111	99 (105-80)	89 (90-65)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness. Topsoil texture and wetness class locally

Blackwood	Quorndon	Ollerton
0-25cm Ap	o-25cm Ap	0-25cm Ap
Very dark greyish brown, slightly stony sandy loam or loamy	Dark brown, slightly stony sandy loam	Dark brown, stoneless or slightly stony sandy loam or loamy
sand	_	sand
	25-50cm Bg1	
25-40cm Bg1	Yellowish brown, mottled, slightly to moderately stony; weak	25-50cm Bw(g)
Pale brown, mottled, slightly stony loamy sand; weak	medium subangular blocky structure	Dark yellowish brown, slightly mottled, slightly stony loamy
medium and coarse subangular blocky structure		sand; weak fine subangular blocky structure
	50-80cm Bg2	
40-90cm Bg2	Yellowish brown, mottled, slightly to moderately stony weak	50-90cm Bg
Light brownish grey, mottled slightly stony; weak medium	coarse subangular blocky or single grain structure	Light brown, mottled, slightly stony sand; weak subangular
subangular blocky or single grain structure		blocky structure or single grain
	80-120cm Cg	
90-120cm Cg	Pale to yellowish brown, mottled slightly to moderately stony	90-120cm Cg
Greyish brown mottled slightly stony sand; single grain	loamy sand or sandy loam; single grain structure	Greyish brown, mottled, slightly stony sand; single grain
structure		structure

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Table 11: Wigton Moor Association (831c)

Permeable loamy soils variably affected by groundwater, the drier soils being on slightly raised sites. Generally flat land.

Main soil series	Ancillary soil series occurring	Geology	Average field capacity days	Wetness class	Average moisture deficit and (available water) mm		ALC grade	ALC determinants
	locally		(max 166 min 154)		Wheat	Potatoes		
Wigton Moor		Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	III	99 125	89 100	3а	Topsoil texture and wetness class
	Quorndon	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	11-111	99 (105-80)	89 (90-65)	2 or 3a	Droughtiness. Topsoil texture and wetness class locally
	Arrow	Glaciofluvial sands and gravels and river terrace	160	II	99 (105-80)	89 (90-65)	2 or 3a*	Droughtiness

^{*} Where subsoil texture is loamy sand and or stone content is moderate to high then grade is restricted to 3a by drought

Wigton Moor	Quorndon	Arrow
o-25cm Ap	0-25cm Ap	0-25cm Ap
Dark greyish brown, slightly stony medium sandy clay loam or clay	Dark brown, slightly stony sandy loam	Dark brown, slightly stony sandy loam
loam	25-50cm Bg1	25-50cm Bw
25-50cm Bg1	Yellowish brown, mottled, slightly to moderately stony;	Dark yellowish brown, slightly to moderately stony sandy
Brown mottled slightly stony sandy clay loam or clay loam; medium	weak medium subangular blocky structure	loam; weak medium subangular blocky structure
subangular blocky structure	50-80cm Bq2	50-80cm Bwg
50-80cm Bg2	Yellowish brown, mottled, slightly to moderately stony	Brown, slightly mottled, slightly or moderately stony sandy
Greyish brown with many ochreous mottles, moderately stony	weak coarse subangular blocky or single grain structure	loam or loamy sand; weak coarse subangular blocky structure
sandy clay loam or clay loam; weak coarse subangular blocky		
structure	80-120cm Cg	80-120cm BCg
	Pale to yellowish brown, mottled slightly to moderately	Brownish yellow, mottled, slightly or moderately stony loamy
80-120cm Cg	stony loamy sand or sandy loam; single grain structure	sand or sandy loam; single grain structure
Brownish grey with many ochreous mottles, moderately stony		
sandy loam or sandy clay loam; single grain structure		

3 Forestry

- 3.1.1 Identification of forestry resources has primarily had regard to the National Forestry Inventory¹³.
- 3.1.2 The area of land under forestry (i.e. trees and woodland) within 2km either side of the route centre line has been determined using GIS and is shown in Table 12.

Table 12: Area of woodland within the study area and construction boundary

	Area of forestry land (ha)	Forestry land as a % of total land area
Forestry land in study area	267.3	5
Forestry land within construction boundary	20.5	9

3.1.3 Stands of woodland include Fulfen Wood in the south, Lyntus Wood just north of Curborough, and Brokendown Wood and Ravenshaw Woods in the north. Woodland is often situated on low ground affected by high groundwater (Blackwood association). As forestry land covers 5% of land in the study area, compared to the national average of 10%, the sensitivity of the forestry land resource in this study area is considered to be high, as set out in the SMR Addendum (see Volume 5: Appendix CT-001-000/2).

¹³ Forestry Commission (2001), National Forest Inventory Woodland and Ancient Woodland (as updated).

4 Assessment of effects on holdings

The effects on holdings have been assessed according to the methodology set out in the SMR Addendum (Volume 5: Appendix CT-001-000/2). The nature of impacts considered comprises the temporary and permanent land required from the holding, the temporary and permanent severance of land, the permanent loss of key farm infrastructure and the imposition of disruptive effects (particularly noise and dust) on land uses and the holding's operations. These impacts occur primarily during the construction phase of the Proposed Scheme.

Table 13: Summary of assessment of effect on holdings

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/1 Fulfen Farm 71.6ha of Mainly arable Medium sensitivity to change	Land required: 22.0ha; 31% of holding required for construction. High Impact Severance: parcel to NE severed from rest of holding. Access provisions under CoCP. Low Impact Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Land required: 1.8ha; 3% of holding taken. Negligible Impact Severance: parcel to NE severed from rest of holding. Severance mitigated by access under Fulfen Wood underbridge or off Park Lane. Low Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of water supply/ drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. Negligible Impact
CFA22/2* Land off Capers Lane 30.6ha of Mixed arable and livestock Medium sensitivity to change	Land required: 11.0ha; 36% of holding required for construction. High Impact Severance: holding is severed by HS2 on both sides of Capers Lane. Access provisions under CoCP. Medium Impact Disruptive effects: noise likely to affect horse livery. Medium Impact	Land required: 9.1ha; 30% of holding taken. High Impact Severance: holding is severed by HS2 on both sides of Cappers Lane. Access to severed parcels will be off Capers Lane. Medium Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of water supply/ drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. Negligible Impact
CFA22/3 Huddlesford House Farm 323.8ha of Mixed arable and livestock (including dairy) High sensitivity to change	Land required: 32.6ha; 10% of holding required for construction (part of compound and material stockpile area). Medium Impact Severance: no severance (severed land required for construction). Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: proximity of construction to dairy herd. Low Impact	Land required: 4.8ha; 2% of holding taken. Negligible Impact Severance: land to west of HS2 is severed from the rest of the holding. Access is provided under Fulfen Wood underbridge. Low Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of abstraction point, water supply / drinking trough systems and dirty water irrigation systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. Negligible Impact

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/4	Land required: 23.6ha; 83% of holding	Land required: 6.3ha; 22% of holding taken.
Hill Farm Streethay	required for compound and material stockpile area. Holding likely to be made unviable by	High Impact Severance: Footpath Streethay 6 underpass
28.3ha of Mixed arable and livestock	extent of land take. High Impact	(184-S4) is not large enough for agricultural machinery – pedestrian and small vehicle access
Medium sensitivity to change	Severance: no severance as holding likely to be made unviable by construction activity. Negligible Impact	only. High Impact
	Disruptive effects: N.A (holding likely to be made unviable by construction activity). Low Impact	Infrastructure: loss of residential and agricultura buildings; reinstatement of water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. High Impact
CFA22/5*	Land required: 17.1ha; 53% of holding required for construction, compound and	Land required: 4.9ha; 15% of holding taken. Medium Impact
Streethay Farm 32.5ha of Mixed arable and livestock	material stockpile area. Holding likely to be made unviable by extent of land take. High Impact	Severance: land to east of HS2 is severed from the rest of the holding. Access is provided under Streethay Viaduct.
Medium sensitivity to change	Severance: no severance as holding made unviable by construction activity. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: noise likely to affect horse livery. Medium Impact	Low Impact Infrastructure: loss of airfield buildings (diversified enterprise); reinstatement of water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. High Impact
CFA22/6* Streethay House Farm	Land required: 13.1ha; 14% of holding required for construction.	Land required: 12.8ha; 14% of holding taken. Medium Impact
91.7ha of Mainly arable Medium sensitivity to change	Medium Impact Severance: eastern parcel severed from the remainder of holding. Access is available along the A5127 and will be arranged under	Severance: eastern parcel severed from the remainder of holding. Severance mitigated by access off A5127. Medium Impact
Š	CoCP. Medium Impact Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality. Negligible Impact
CFA22/7*	Land required: 29.8ha; 17% of holding	Land required: 28.3ha; 16% of holding taken.
Curborough House Farm	required for construction. Medium Impact	Medium Impact
172.oha of Mainly arable Medium sensitivity to change	Severance: small areas severed by road realignment and construction to the north of holding. Access arranged through CoCP. Medium Impact	Severance: small areas severed by road realignments to the north of holding. Access off Wood End Lane and spur to depot. Medium Impact
	Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality; access provisions. Negligible Impact

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/8 Curborough Farm	Land required: 28.9ha; 11% of holding required for construction.	Land required: 22.4ha; 8% of holding taken. Low Impact
272.oha of Mixed arable and livestock (sheep and cattle) High sensitivity to change	Medium Impact Severance: no severance because land that would have been severed is taken for construction activity. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: disruption of customer access to diversified activities (e.g. tea room, fishing lakes) needs to be managed effectively under CoCP. Low Impact	Severance: no severance because land that would have been severed is taken for ecological mitigation and permanent planting. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of abstraction point and water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; access provisions. Negligible Impact
CFA22/9 Big Lyntus Wood 6.7ha of Woodland Medium sensitivity to change	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding required for construction. Negligible Impact Severance: none identified. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken. Negligible Impact Severance: none identified. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: none identified. Negligible Impact
CFA22/10 Land around Fradley Wood 1618.8ha of Mixed arable and livestock High sensitivity to change	Land required: 7.3ha; 1% of holding required for construction. Negligible Impact Severance: no severance because land that would have been severed is taken for construction activity. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: none identified. Negligible Impact	Land required: 7.3ha; 1% of holding taken. Negligible Impact Severance: no severance because land that would have been severed is taken for ecological mitigation. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of irrigation mains Negligible Impact
CFA22/11 Riley Hill Woodend Farm 60.oha of Mainly arable High sensitivity to change	Land required: 7.3ha; 12% of holding required for construction. Medium Impact Severance: no severance because land that would have been severed is taken for construction activity. Low Impact Disruptive effects: access track adjacent to farm residence (alternative on construction plan is bridge over canal). Medium Impact	Land required: 7.1ha; 12% of holding taken. Medium Impact Severance: Access still needed to area of woodland outside of ecological mitigation area is provided under Pyford Brook Viaduct. Low Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of abstraction point; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. Negligible Impact

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/12 Ravenshaw Wood (East)	Land required: 4.oha; 27% of holding required for construction. High Impact	Land required: 3.9ha; 26% of holding taken. High Impact
15.oha of Woodland Low sensitivity to change	Severance: although no formal access to severed woodland shown, infrequent access needed to maintain wood during construction period can be arranged under CoCP. Low Impact Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Severance: assumes access via Ravenshaw Cottage access track. Negligible impact Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. Negligible Impact
CFA22/13 Black Slough Farm 56.oha of Mainly livestock (dairy) High sensitivity to change	Land required: 19.8ha; 35% of holding required for construction. Land take of this scale probably makes dairy enterprise unviable. High Impact Severance: No severance because land that would have been severed is taken for construction activity. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: no serious effects identified. Low Impact	Land required: 12.7ha; 23% of holding taken. Land take of this scale probably makes dairy enterprise unviable. High Impact Severance: No severance because land that would have been severed is taken for planting. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; reconnection of electric ring main. Negligible Impact
CFA22/14 Ravenshaw Wood (West) 12.oha of Woodland Low sensitivity to change	Land required: 3.6ha; 30% of holding required for construction. High Impact Severance: this is woodland that is not regularly managed at present. Necessary access will be arranged under CoCP. Low Impact Disruptive effects: none indentified. Low Impact	Land required: 2.9ha; 24% of holding taken. High Impact Severance: assumes access via Ravenshaw Cottage access track, and access provision over CFA22-12 (Ravenshaw Wood, East). Negligible Impact Infrastructure: fencing. Negligible Impact
CFA22/15 Hauchwood 121.4ha of Mixed arable and livestock High sensitivity to change	Land required: 16.5ha; 14% of holding required for construction. Medium Impact Severance: NW parcel that would have been severed is taken for construction activity. Assume that access from A515 over Bourne Brook will be provided under CoCP. Medium Impact Disruptive effects: safety requirements of construction site will curtail commercial shoot. Note disruption caused by closure of Shaw Lane. High Impact	Land required: 11.6ha; 10% of holding taken. Low Impact Severance: assume that access from A515 over Bourne Brook will be provided. Medium Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of abstraction point and water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; access provisions (including watercourse crossing). Low Impact

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/16 Brownfields Farm	Land required: 21.3ha; 8% of holding required for construction. Low Impact	Land required: 16.7ha; 6% of holding taken. Low Impact
283.3ha of Mixed arable and livestock High sensitivity to change	Severance: holding is severed by construction. Access to southern parcel off Woodend Lane. Assume access to northern parcel can be	Severance: holding is severed by Hs2. Southern parcel accessible off Woodend Lane. Northern parcel accessible off A515 and access track near Wharf Farm.
riigii selisitivity to change	provided under CoCP off Wharf Farm access track. Medium Impact Disruptive effects: Low Impact	Medium Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; access provisions. Low Impact
CFA22/17 Hunts Farm	Land required: 17.6ha; 54% of holding required for construction.	Land required: 4.2ha; 13% of holding taken. Medium Impact
32.4ha of Mixed arable and livestock Medium sensitivity to change	High Impact Severance: no new severance, however new access points may be required to accommodate construction areas. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: Note disruption caused by closure of Shaw Lane. Low Impact	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; access provision (including watercourse crossing). Low Impact
CFA22/18 New Farm, Elmhurst 33.1ha of Horticulture – fruit grower High sensitivity to change	Land required: 5.8ha; 17% of holding required for construction. Medium Impact Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: high value crops potentially sensitive to dust damage. Medium Impact	Land required: 3.2ha; 10% of holding taken. Low Impact Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: loss of buildings (inc. poly tunnels); potential reinstatement of abstraction point / water mains; restoration of drainage functionality. High Impact
CFA22/19 Ashton Hayes Farm	Land required: 4.5ha; 28% of holding required for construction. High Impact	Land required: 4.4ha; 27% of holding taken. High Impact
16.2ha of Mixed arable and livestock	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Infractructure: rectoration of drainage
Medium sensitivity to change	Disruptive effects: Note disruption caused by closure of Shaw Lane. Low Impact	Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality. Low Impact

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/20	Land required: 5.5ha; 79% of holding required for construction (Harvey's Rough Flyover Compound).	Land required: 5.0ha; 72% of holding taken for
Tuppenhurst Field		mitigation planting. High Impact
6.9ha of General cropping (cereals and potatoes) Medium sensitivity to change (farmed in conjunction with CFA22/15 and CFA22/17)	High Impact Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: Note disruption caused by closure of Shaw Lane. Low Impact	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; access provision. Low Impact
CFA22/21	Land required: 0.2ha; <1% of holding required	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken.
Tura waa wala uu wata Fa waa	for construction.	Negligible Impact
Tuppenhurst Farm 303.5ha of Mainly arable Medium sensitivity to change	Negligible Impact Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: Note disruption caused by closure of Shaw Lane. Low Impact	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; access provision. Low Impact
CFA22/24* Brokendown Wood 4.oha of Woodland Medium sensitivity to	Land required: 1.1ha; 28% of holding required for construction. High Impact Severance: this is woodland. Necessary access will be arranged under CoCP.	Land required: 1.1ha; 28% of holding taken. High Impact Severance: access provided under Trent & Mersey Canal East Viaduct. Low Impact
change	Low Impact Disruptive effects: Low Impact	Infrastructure: fencing and access provision. Negligible Impact
CFA22/25* Thatchmore Farm	Land required: 5.8ha; 8% of holding required for construction (overhead cable works). Low Impact	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken. Negligible Impact
71.7ha of Mainly arable Medium sensitivity to change	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: Low Impact	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: Drainage: None. Negligible Impact
CFA22/26*	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding required	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken.
Land south of Thatchmore Farm A 3.5ha of Equestrian (commercial)	for construction. Negligible Impact Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact	Negligible Impact Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: no impact identified
Medium sensitivity to change	Disruptive effects: Low Impact	

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/27*	Land required: 0.4ha; 20% of holding required for construction.	Land required: 0.4ha; 20% of holding taken. High Impact
Land on NE side of Marsh Lane	High Impact	Severance: no new severance (see notes on
1.9ha of Mainly livestock (Sheep)	Severance: no new severance (see notes on access under infrastructure). Low Impact	access under infrastructure). Low Impact
Medium sensitivity to change	Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Infrastructure: realignment of access track; reinstatement of drainage functionality. Negligible Impact
CFA22/28	Land required: 2.6ha; 58% of holding required for construction.	Land required: 2.6ha; 58% of holding taken. High Impact
Whittington Hill Farm 4.5ha of Equestrian (non-commercial) Low sensitivity to change	High Impact Severance: no severance because land that would have been severed is taken for construction activity. Negligible Impact Disruptive effects: effect of noise on horses.	Severance: no severance because land that would have been severed is taken for ecological mitigation and permanent planting. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: reinstatement of water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage
	Medium Impact	functionality; fencing; access provisions. Low Impact
CFA22/29	Land required: o.4ha; 6% of holding required	Land required: 0.2ha; 3% of holding taken.
Vicars Coppice	for construction. Low Impact	Negligible Impact
7.7ha of Woodland	Severance: no new severance.	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact
Low sensitivity to change	Negligible Impact	Infrastructure: no infrastructure issues
	Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	identified. Negligible impact
CFA22/30	Land required: 1.6ha; 4% of holding required	Land required: 1.6ha; 4% of holding taken.
_	for construction.	Negligible Impact
Fradley Wood	Negligible Impact	Severance: no new severance.
43.5ha of Woodland	Severance: no new severance.	Negligible Impact
Low sensitivity to change	Negligible Impact	Infrastructure: restoration of drainage
	Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	functionality; fencing Negligible Impact
CFA22/31*	Land required: o.oha; <1% of holding required for construction.	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken. Negligible Impact
Land adjacent to Fulfen Farm	Negligible Impact	Severance: no new severance.
3.4ha of Grassland	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact	Negligible Impact
Medium sensitivity to change	Disruptive effects: none identified. Negligible Impact	Infrastructure: reinstatement of water supply / drinking trough systems; restoration of drainage functionality; fencing. Negligible Impact

Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
name and description		
CFA22/32*	Land required: 1.3ha; 54% of holding required	Land required: 1.3ha; 54% of holding taken.
Land adjacent to Easthill House	for construction. High Impact	High Impact Severance: no new severance.
2.5ha of Woodland	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact	Negligible Impact
Medium sensitivity to change	Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality; fencing; access provision. Negligible Impact
CFA22/33*	Land required: 1.8ha; 24% of holding required	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken.
Land south of Thatchmore Farm B	for construction (overhead cables). High Impact	Negligible Impact Severance: no new severance.
7.4ha of Grassland	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact	Negligible Impact
Medium sensitivity to change	Disruptive effects: Low Impact	Infrastructure: reinstatement of water supply / drinking trough systems; fencing. Negligible Impact
CFA22/34*	Land required: 3.5ha; 47% of holding required	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken.
Land off Broad Lane	for construction (overhead cables). High Impact	Negligible Impact
7.6ha of Mixed arable and livestock	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact	Severance: no new severance. Negligible Impact
Medium sensitivity to		Infrastructure: reinstatement of water supply /
change	Disruptive effects: Low Impact	drinking trough systems; fencing. Negligible Impact
CFA22-35*	Land required: 7.7ha; 13% of holding required for construction.	Land required: oha; o% of holding taken. Negligible Impact
Bearshay Farm	Medium Impact	
61 ha of Mainly arable and some grassland	Severance: parcel to SE severed from rest of holding by closing off of underpass beneath	Severance none (underpass beneath existing railway restores access to severed SE parcel). Negligible Impact
Medium sensitivity to	existing railway.	
change	High Impact	Infrastructure: restoration of drainage functionality.
J	Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Negligible Impact
CFA22/36	Land required: o.7ha; 3% of holding required	Land required: no land required once works
Land adjacent to Rileyhill Farm	for works associated with pylons. Negligible Impact	completed. Negligible Impact
23.1ha of General cropping (cereals and potatoes)	Severance: if access to temporarily severed land is essential, this can be managed through CoCP. Low Impact	Severance: none - assume no additional ground based infrastructure is installed. Negligible Impact
Medium sensitivity to change	Disruptive effects: none identified. Negligible Impact	Infrastructure: gateways; fencing. Negligible Impact

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Holding reference,	Construction effects	Residual effects post restoration of land
CFA22/37* Land on the south side of Darnford Lane 2.6ha of Grassland Medium sensitivity to change	Land required: 1.8ha; 69% of holding required for works associated with pylons. This scale of land take is a worst case estimate since access requirements will probably be limited to wayleaves. High Impact (worst case prediction) Severance: if access to temporarily severed land is essential, this can be managed through CoCP. Low Impact Disruptive effects: none identified. Negligible Impact	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken. Negligible Impact Severance: none - assume no additional ground based infrastructure is installed. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: gateways; fencing. Negligible Impact
CFA22/38* Land lying to the North of Tamworth Road 9.1ha of Mainly livestock (suckler cows) Medium sensitivity to change	Land required: 3.1ha; 34% of holding required for works associated with pylons. This scale of land take is a worst case estimate since access requirements will probably be limited to wayleaves. High Impact Severance: if access to temporarily severed land is essential, this can be managed through CoCP. Low Impact Disruptive effects: none identified. Low Impact	Land required: o.oha; o% of holding taken. Negligible Impact Severance: none - assume no additional ground based infrastructure is installed. Negligible Impact Infrastructure: gateways; fencing Negligible Impact

^{*} No farm impact assessment interview conducted; data estimated.

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